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Applicants: Gettemy et al.

Title: DETACHABLE FLEXIBLE
AND EXPANDABLE DISPLAY
WITH TOUCH SENSOR
APPARATUS AND METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This communication is a Preliminary Amendment concerning the above-referenced patent application

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Drawings:

Please add the attached 1 sheet (Figs. 8-9) of added informal drawings to the drawings originally filed with the application.

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REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons which follow.

Applicants respectfully submit a request for addition of FIG. 8 and FIG. 9 which were thoroughly described in the specification upon filing. FIG. 8 and FIG. 9 were inadvertently omitted from the original filing of the application. However, because FIG. 8 and FIG. 9 have been thoroughly described in the application, Applicants submit that no new matter has been added. For example, FIG. 8 has been thoroughly described in paragraph [0028], which recites three sections 712, 714, and 716 of display 710. Further, FIG. 9 has been thoroughly described in paragraph [0029], which recites six sections 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, and 916 of display 910. Further still, FIG. 8 and FIG. 9 depict the same display as that depicted in FIG. 7 except that FIGs. 8 and 9 depict the display in its unfolded or expanded states as described in the specification. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the entry of FIG. 8 and FIG. 9.

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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